

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1527

TO BE ANSWERED ON 28th JULY, 2026

SCHEMES FOR FARMING AND IRRIGATION

†1527. SMT. ANITA NAGARSINGH CHOUHAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the funds sanctioned and spent under the Centrally Sponsored Schemes for promoting natural farming, micro-irrigation (drip irrigation), and millets (Shree Anna) in Ratlam, Jhabua, and Alirajpur districts of Madhya Pradesh during the year 2025-26 and 2026-27 scheme-wise;

(b) the number of farmers benefitted under the natural farming, drip irrigation, and Shree Anna programmes in these three districts during the said period, along with the total area in hectares covered through micro-irrigation district-wise; and

(c) whether the Government proposes to approve additional financial assistance, training, demonstration units, and special projects for the widespread expansion of natural farming, micro-irrigation, and Shree Anna in the tribal dominated Lok Sabha Parliamentary Constituency No. 24 (Ratlam-Jhabua-Alirajpur); and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण राज्य मंत्री (SHRI RAMNATH THAKUR)

(a): The Government of India is implementing National Mission on Natural Farming (NMNF), Per Drop More Crop (PDMC) and National Food Security and Nutrition Mission (NFSNM) for promotion of natural farming, micro-irrigation (drip irrigation) and millets (Shree Anna) respectively, across all States/UTs, including Madhya Pradesh. District-wise details of funds released and expenditure are not maintained centrally, however, details of fund released and expenditure incurred as regards the State of Madhya Pradesh in respect of NMNF, PDMC and NFSNM during 2025-26 and 2026-27 is at Annexure-I.

(b): According to the Government of Madhya Pradesh, details of farmers benefitted under Natural Farming, Micro-Irrigation and Millets (Shree Anna) schemes and area covered under micro irrigation in Ratlam, Jhabua, and Alirajpur districts of Madhya Pradesh during 2025-26 and 2026-27 is placed at Annexure II.

(c): The Government of India provides financial assistance to States/UTs under Centrally Sponsored Schemes on the basis of Annual Action Plans (AAPs) received from the States as per the availability of funds and extant scheme guidelines. States/Union Territories are advised to give due priority to tribal areas while implementing various schemes.

Annexure I

The details of fund release and expenditure incurred for the State of Madhya Pradesh in respect of National Mission on Natural Farming, Per Drop More Crop and National Food Security and Nutrition Mission

(Rs in crores)

S.No	Schemes	2025-26		2026-27	
		Release	Expenditure	Release	Expenditure
1	National Mission on Natural Farming (NMNF)	63.23	49.66	32.63	0.97
2	Per Drop More Crop (PDMC)	185.25	170.46	84.37	28.56
3	National Food Security and Nutrition Mission (NFSNM)	127.12	121.34	22.92	5.05

Annexure II

Details of farmers benefitted in Ratlam, Jhabua and Alirajpur districts

S. No	Schemes	Ratlam		Jhabua		Alirajpur	
		2025-26	2026-27	2025-26	2026-27	2025-26	2026-27
1	Natural Farming	3125	3125	3125	3125	3750	3750
2	Micro-Irrigation	1491	491	664	125	606	0
3	Milletts (Shree Anna)	245	0	0	0	1817	300

Details of area covered under Micro-Irrigation in Ratlam, Jhabua and Alirajpur districts

Scheme	District	Area Covered (in Ha)	
		2025-26	2026-27
Micro-Irrigation	Ratlam	2656.7	788.4
	Jhabua	608.70	135
	Alirajpur	846.71	0
